

**PLACER COUNTY
OLDER ADULT ADVISORY COMMISSION**
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MEETING MINUTES
July 19, 2016

Attendance

Members Present: Eldon Luce, Jim Williams, David Soto, Antoinette Fabela, Jamee Horning, Suzanne Jones, Murial Moore, Leslie Brewer, and Al Gonzalez

Members Absent: Cyndy Bigbee, Dr. Irwin Herman, William Reed, Leah Rosasco , Ignacio Cespedes, Ben Eagleton, Karla Gustafson, Gloria Plasencia, and Margaret Riley

Public: Michelle Nevins (Pending OAAC Membership), Janeen Thorpe (AAA4), Ron Demske (Care Patrol), Michelle Bustamante (Meals on Wheels), April Carni

County Staff: Amy Engle, Adult System of Care Clerk

Call to Order: Luce called the meeting to order at 1:08 P.M.

Member Introductions: The roll was taken, a quorum was established, and introductions were made.

Member Announcements: The following member announcements were offered.

- Gonzalez: Three PSA's produced and directed by Gonzalez highlighting elder abuse in the form of financial abuse, neglect, and physical abuse, are now on You Tube and will be shown on local television. A Spanish version is being completed now with plans to translate into Russian and Arabic as well. Gonzalez also hopes to air a documentary he is working on, on PBS and put it up for consideration to the Academy.
- Fabela: Offered a housing update regarding seniors at the homeless shelter in Auburn.

- People at the shelter including seniors, who have been living there for one year or less, have been given notices to vacate within 30 – 90 days.
- Project Go, USA properties, Helping Hearts, Jeff Brown, and Maureen Bauman have all been contacted by Fabela for help with the housing crisis.
 - Criteria are fairly strict for permanent housing.
 - Long waiting lists.
 - No housing available.
- Luce added that there is only a 2% vacancy rate in Placer County for housing.
- Moore: Moore has contacted 2 local police chiefs with a proposal to have them come together with the community once a month to foster a dialog between the police and the community, due to the recent deaths of police officers and black citizens.
- Luce: Member Lynne Farrell has resigned, leaving open her seat on the OAAC as well as her seat on AAA4 Advisory Council representing the OAAC. If anyone is interested in those seats, please contact Eldon Luce.
 - Luce also reminded everyone to not speak on behalf of the OAAC when they are working on their personal projects as the OAAC members' actions and opinions could reflect back on the Board of Supervisors.

Approve 05-17-16 Meeting Minutes: Action: A motion was made by **Gonzalez** and seconded by **Moore** to approve the 05-17-16 meeting minutes as presented, with two abstentions from **Brewer** and **Jones**. **The motion carried.**

Public Comment:

- Carni: A benefit concert at Red Lion Inn Woodlake will be held on July 23 with proceeds going to help music/memory programs that are certified. Call 800-595-4895 for more information.
- Demske: The average cost of a home in Placer County is \$300,000 and that rentals are hard to find, while assisted living costs have gone up 20%.

- Bustamante: Meals on Wheels received a Placer Community Foundation grant from the Frank and Gladys Porter Endowment Fund to provide 3,000 meals countywide for the next 12 months. On August 22, they will begin delivering hot meals in Roseville and Rocklin to those who need it the most.

Executive Committee Nominations: A slate of nominations was presented to the commission to be voted on.

- The slate consisted of 4 nominations:
 - Chair: Eldon Luce
 - 1st Vice Chair: Jamee Horning
 - 2nd Vice Chair: Al Gonzalez
 - Executive Secretary: William Reed
- No additional nominations were offered by the members.

Approve Slate of Nominations: Action: A motion was made by **Williams** and seconded by **Jones** to approve the Slate of Nominations as presented. **The motion carried.**

Community Centered Approach: Luce began a discussion regarding how to proceed with the C-CA project for AAA4.

- Some concerns the steering committee had were the lack of data needed to make qualified recommendations on how to spend money on programs within Placer County.
 - Funding will not increase from last year, except in a minor way.
 - Wary of recommendations which would take funding away from needed programs.
- The steering committee agreed that the top three needs for seniors within the county are housing, transportation, and lack of access to information.
 - AAA4 can't address housing and their ability to address transportation is very limited.
 - Access to information is a complex problem
 - Seniors First and PIRS provide I&R; and the Seniors First Directory provides information for Placer County Seniors.

- The data is coming from recent AAA4 surveys and Needs Assessments that have been completed in the past.
 - Surveys so far reflect only 129 write in responses.
 - 469 online surveys have yet to be studied
 - Surveys are not entirely reliable.
- C-CA will meet in August to finalize proposition to AAA4, which is due in September
 - A representative from OAAC will need to present and justify findings at a public hearing put on by AAA4. The representative must get public input, modify the recommendations based on public input, while getting the findings back to AAA4 the same day.

Approve Cancellation 8-16-16 Meeting: Action: A motion was made by **Horning** and seconded by **Fabela** to cancel the August 16, 2016 meeting. **The motion carried.**

Elder Abuse Awareness Fair: A recap was presented to the OAAC for the first annual June 21, 2016 event.

- Bigbee received positive feedback from a Survey sent out to attendees.
 - 87% of respondents would attend again.
- Auburn Journal ran an article on the Fair, which reached 23,750 in print.
 - Online hits of the article totaled 512,000.
- Bigbee requested volunteers for next year's event.
 - Volunteers included Bustamante, Fabela, Williams, Jones, Gonzalez, Nevins, and Carni.
 - Bigbee will notify volunteers of planning meetings.
 - Potential site is the Galleria in Roseville.

Chair Report: No Report

Report - Placer County Report: No Report

AAA4 Report: Soto offered the following information:

- AAA4 AC meets this Thursday.

- Lynne Farrell's OAAC seat is vacant.
 - Please make any recommendations to the OAAC Executive Committee.
- A doctor will provide a presentation on proper disposal of prescription drugs.
- The Ombudsman is now in-house at AAA4.
 - Located in the same building as AAA4.
 - AAA4 will be hiring an ombudsman coordinator.
 - Hoping to increase volunteers.

AAA4 Advisory Council: No report.

Report - Senior Legislation: Thorpe offered the following information:

- Assembly bill 1754 reimburses victims of financial abuse.
- Assembly bill 1797 authorizes applying for IHSS electronically.
- Assembly Bill 2301 provides training to law enforcement to identify elder abuse.
- Assembly Bill 2231 increases civil penalties for licensed care facilities.
- Assembly Bill 2497 adds funding for the California Senior Legislature.
- Assembly Bill 2606 requires a copy of a report of crimes against elderly to licensing.
- Senate Bill 1377 would have provided 3.3 million in general funding for respite care. Bill is now dead.

Placer County Report: No County Report.

New Business:

- "Seniors Need to Know" newspaper articles were discussed as they haven't been completed in a few months. The Auburn Journal seems willing to run articles. Moore volunteered to write some articles and submit them to the Executive Committee.
- Gonzalez will meet with Bigbee to get Press Releases out for next year's Senior Abuse Awareness Fair.

Agenda Items for September Meeting: Ombudsman presentation is a possibility.

Future Agenda Items: Regular monthly reports.

Approve Adjourning 7-19-16 Meeting: **Action:** A motion was made by **Gonzalez** and seconded by **Fabela** to adjourn the July 19, 2016 meeting. **The motion carried.**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:34 PM

Next Meeting

Date: September 20, 2016

Time: 1:00 PM to 2:30 PM

**Location: Auburn Library
Beecher Room
350 Nevada St.
Auburn, CA**